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SUBJ: IV GRANTEE USHER

PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR IV USHER:

1. AS RECTOR OF THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF ASUNCION, FATHER USHER WILL OF COURSE BE INTERESTED IN MAKING CONTACTS WITH OUR UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY ON A SELECTIVE AND HOPEFULLY RPRODUCTIVE BASIS.
 2. THE GRANTEE HAS EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO VISIT ONE OR TWO UNIVERSITIES WHICH RELY HEAVILY ON LATEST AUDIOVISUAL TECHNIQUES OF INSTRUCTION, INCLUDING "PACKAGE" PROGRAMS AND CLOSED CIRCUIT TV.
 3. HE IS KEEN ON ESTABLISHING ENDURING TIES WITH UNIVERSITIES THAT HAVE DEPARTMENTS OF LATIN-AMERICAN STUDIES. HECNE, THE DEPARTMENT WILL WANT TO DETERMINE WHERE SUCH CONTACTS MIGHT EVENTUALLY PROVE MOST FRUITFUL.
 4. INASMUCH AS THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF ASUNCION IS WELL LAUNCHED ON A CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION CAMPAIGN REQUIRING HEAVY EXPENDITURES, FATHER USHER WILL BE LOOKING FOR WAYS TO RAISE FUNDS TO HELP LIGHTEN THE BURDEN. THUS VISITS TO PHILANTHROPIC FOUNDATIONS MIGHT PROVE TO BE JUST THE SHOT IN THE ARM THAT HIS DRIVE FOR FUNDS NEEDS.
 5. PLEASE INCLUDE THE SECRETARIAT FOR LATIN AMERICA (OF THE U.S. EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE) IN HIS SCHEDULE. (1312 MASSACHUSETTS
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AVE., N.W. -- PHONE: (202) 659-6600) IN HIS SCHEDULE.

6. FATHER USHER HAS ALREADY ON-GOING BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS AT LAWRENCE (THOUGH PROFESSOR CHARLES L. STANSIFER, DIRECTOR OF THE LATIN-AMERICAN STUDIES CENTER -- (913) - 864-4213). HEE NEEDS THREE OR FOUR DAYS AT THE UNIVERSITY TO WRAP UP PENDING BUSINESS.

7. FINALLY THE GRANTEE HAS REQUESTED THAT HIS PROGRAM INCLUDE A FEW ITEMS FOR THE TOURIST IN HIM: A VISIT TO A SPACE CENTER -- AND HE IS ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN SPACE RESEARCH; A CONCERT OR TWO; AND PERHAPS SOMETHING SCENICALLY OR ARTISTICALLY APPEALING TO THE EYE

8. TENTATIVE PLANS CALL FOR TRAVEL IN LATE APRIL, EARLY MAY.
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